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Notice of Allowability**Application No.**

10/723,932

Applicant(s)TIRUTHANI, SARAVANAKUMAR
V.**Examiner**

BENJAMIN R. BRUCKART

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the interview of 5/27/09.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are numbered 1-15.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
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6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview and email with Charles Peterson, Jr.; Reg. No. 34,406 on 5/28/2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A telecommunications method, comprising: defining one or more system components as corresponding distributed modules using a module definition language;

defining one or more function parameters for said one or more system components, the function parameters defining behavior of each system component in the system and a message and log structure for recording and analyzing the history of message traversal through various other ones of said one or more system components;

implementing in each of said one or more system components the function defined for the respective system component;

generating SIP INVITE messages at a rate specified in a respective module definition;

introducing load and delay in a Real Time Communications protocol (RTC) module for each of said SIP INVITE messages as specified in the respective module definition;

receiving said SIP INVITE messages from said RTC module at an Assistant Engine (AE) module, said AE module generating a CSTA notification for each of said SIP INVITE messages from said RTC module;

receiving CSTA notifications at a Virtual Assistant (VA) module, said VA module processing received said CSTA notifications and returning CSTA responses to said AE module; generating SIP INVITE messages for said CSTA responses and returning said generated SIP INVITE messages to the SIP INVITE generator through said RTC module; and logging in each of said one or more system components a result of said implementing, the module definition language including an MDLScript tag.

2. (previously presented) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 1, wherein said defining said one or more system components and said one or more function parameters are implemented on a plurality of system components.

3. (original) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 1, wherein said one or more function parameters comprise CPU delay.

4. (original) A telecommunications method in accordance with claim 1, wherein said one or more

function parameters comprise CPU load.

5. (currently amended) A telecommunications system, comprising:

a network;

a plurality of network devices coupled to said network; and

a modeling system for modeling functions of said network and said one or more network devices, said modeling system adapted to be distributed among said one or more network devices using modules defining real-time system components, at least two of said plurality of network devices including said modeling system, said modules defining behavior of each real-time system component in the telecommunications system and a message and log structure for recording and analyzing the history of message traversal through various other system components, the modules defined in a module definition language including an MDLScript tag, wherein at least one of said plurality of network devices is a SIP device;

a SIP Invite generator generating SIP INVITE messages at a rate specified in the module definition;

a Real Time Communications protocol (RTC) module receiving said SIP INVITE messages from a said SIP Invite generator, said RTC module introducing load and delay for every SIP INVITE message as specified in the module definition;

an Assistant Engine (AE) module receiving said SIP INVITE messages from said RTC module and generating CSTA notifications for said SIP INVITE messages from said RTC module;

a Virtual Assistant (VA) module receiving said CSTA notifications from said AE module and processing received said CSTA notifications, said VA module returning CSTA responses to said AE module, said AE module generating a SIP INVITE message for each of said CSTA responses, the SIP INVITE message being returned to the SIP INVITE generator through said RTC module, said SIP INVITE generator logging returned messages in a log, the log containing returned message time stamps;

a web server module; and

a database module, said web sever module and said database module consuming CPU/Memory resources at a rate and amount specified in said module definition.

6. (previously presented) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 5, said plurality of network devices includes said modeling system.

7. (original) A telecommunications system, in accordance with claim 6, said modeling system adapted to model one or more system components using an XML-based model definition language.

8. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 7, said modeling system including one or more modules, each module defining a system component.

9. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 7, wherein said modeling system models system delay.

10. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 7, wherein said modeling system models system load.

11. (currently amended) A telecommunications system, comprising:

- a network;

- a plurality of network devices coupled to said network;

- a Real Time Communications protocol (RTC) module receiving messages from and passing messages to said plurality of network devices;

- a Virtual Assistant (VA) module processing received CSTA notifications ~~messages~~ and providing CSTA responses ~~response messages~~;

- an Assistant Engine (AE) module interfacing passing messages between said RTC module and said VA module, said AE module generating CSTA notifications from incoming RTC messages and outgoing RTC messages from CSTA responses; and a modeling system for modeling functions of said network and said one or more network devices, said modeling system defining modules adapted to be distributed among said one or more network devices, at least two of said plurality of network devices including said modeling system, said modeling system

including an XML-based modeling language for defining said modules, each including models of one or more system components and defining behavior of each system component in the telecommunications system and a message and log structure for recording and analyzing the history of message traversal through various other system components, the modules defined in a module definition language including an MDLScript tag, wherein at least one of said plurality of network devices is a SIP device;

a SIP Invite generator generating SIP INVITE messages at a rate specified in the module definition and sending generated SIP INVITE messages to said RTC module, said RTC module introducing load and delay for every SIP INVITE message as specified in the module definition and passing the SIP INVITE message to said AE module, said AE module passing the SIP INVITE message to said VA module, said VA module returning the SIP INVITE message to the SIP INVITE generator through said AE module and said RTC module, said SIP INVITE generator logging returned messages in a log, the log containing returned message time stamps that can be analyzed to measure the delay characteristics;

a web server module; and

a database module, said web sever module and said database module consuming CPU/Memory resources at a rate and amount specified in said module definition.

12. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 11, further including a directory defining a name and parameters of other modules being modeled by said system which a given module needs to work with.

13. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 12 said modules including a loop module for modeling a non-real-time component.

14. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 13, one or more modules defining a CPU load.

15. (original) A telecommunications system in accordance with claim 13, one or more modules defining a system delay.

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REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is the examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Independent claims 1, 5 and 11 among other things teach defining system components using a module definition language through parameters, the function parameters defining behavior of each system component and message and log structure for recording and analyzing the history of message traversal through the aforementioned components; generating SIP inventions at a rate specified in the module definition to introduce load and delay in real time communications protocol for each of the SIP invite messages; receiving the invites at an AE engine module and generating a CSTA notification for each of the SIP invites; receiving CSTA notifications at a VA module for processing and returning responses to the AE module; generating SIP invite messages for said CSTA responses and returning said SIP invites messages to the RTC module; where the logging in each of the components a result of implementing, the module definition language including MDLScript tag for emulating and monitoring in a computer networking environment.

The prior art does not teach the cited limitation.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

CORRESPONDANCE INFORMATION

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Benjamin R. Bruckart whose telephone number is (571) 272-3982. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-5:30PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jeff Pwu can be reached on (571) 272-6798. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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